

InFlight



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Barry's Blog

District Governor 7470
2013-2014
Barry Kroll

Are you planning to attend the District Conference? This event will energize you and your involvement in Rotary. Get excited, get renewed, get re-energized - attend the District Conference, April 25th and 26th - registration forms are at the end of the InFlight newsletter.

Can you believe it is already April? Only three more months left in this Rotary year. I think back to the beginning of the Rotary year in July when everyone was setting their goals and had great expectations for the coming Rotary year. I offer congratulations and thanks to the many Clubs and Rotarians who have worked so diligently to make those dreams and goals become a reality. Please continue your best effort to finish off the year and make your Club the best ever.

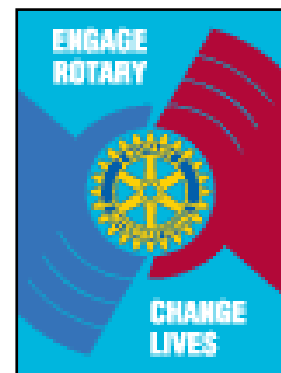
I know there are some Clubs that have extenuating circumstances with the loss of key members, difficulties in recruiting new members, change of Club locations, etc. Don't give up! You have 3 months between now and the end of the Rotary year.

Where are you on your membership recruitment goals, programs and services in your community, your foundation and polio plus goals, the fellowship and spirit in your club? Now is the time to make last effort to have a great Rotary year. If you need help, contact me or your Assistant Governor for advice and council - remember you are not in this alone.

Everyone has been struggling with building membership. It has been more difficult for smaller Clubs



RI President 2013-2014
Ron D. Burton



to recruit members since Club meetings can have low attendance and prospective members don't see or feel the excitement of what you do. Consider having joint meetings with other Clubs to attract speakers and have better programs. Use the Speakers Bureau located on the district website at www.rotarydistrict7470.org to bring in speakers. Check with other Clubs to see how they have brought in new members. Roxbury has brought in 10 new members this year. How did they do that? It was their number one goal and they paid attention to the topic, developed a plan and worked weekly on achieving the plan.

I am pleased overall that my two primary goals of building membership and increasing foundation giving are experiencing modest success. Please help me finish off the year with even greater success. Thank you for being a Rotarian and making a difference.

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Rodney Seifert

2013-2014 ASSISTANT GOVERNOR

One day a student walked into the vice principal's office of her middle school in Paramus and said that she wanted to start a new extra-curricular group, a React Club, now known as an Interact Club. The vice principal asked her to explain to him what a React Club was all about. This was MY introduction to Rotary in 2003. Because of that student and the assistance of the local Rotary club, the Interact Club quickly flourished and is still a vibrant club at the school today. After leaving Paramus and moving on to become a principal in Rockaway Borough, I again had the opportunity to connect with and become active in various projects and activities of the local Rotary club through my superintendent and my wife who had become a member and president of the club. I was always motivated towards service to others so after retiring, following a 33 year career as a teacher and administrator in various public school districts in northern New Jersey and a stint as principal of St. Mary's School in Wharton, I joined the Rockaway Rotary Club in 2009, eventually becoming president in 2012-13. In addition to serving as an assistant governor this year, I continue to be a member of the Board of Directors and act as the newsletter editor and webmaster for my home club.



Professionally, I am still actively involved in education as an educational mentor for the Center of Pedagogy at Montclair University, assisting novice teachers and also student teachers during their senior semester in their cooperative school settings. I earned a BS in Education from West Chester University in PA and a MA in Administration and Supervision from Montclair University. I reside in Rockaway Borough with my wife and fellow Rotarian, Sheila. We have two adult sons and seven grandchildren. Sheila and I both believe very strongly in the Rotary ideal of "Service Above Self" and work to support its efforts both locally and around the world.

Disaster Relief Through District Donor Advised Fund

Thanks to the generosity of Rotarians in District 7470 five Rotary Clubs in the district have been able to link with community organizations to provide relief from the impact of Superstorm Sandy back in fall of 2012. The Rotary Foundation has approved grants for disaster relief from the District's Donor Advised Fund that was created post Sandy. The Rotary Clubs of Denville, Lake Hopatcong, Madison, South Orange and Wallkill Valley were the catalysts for these grants.

After Sandy the district Rotarians responded generously in donating to the Donor Advised Fund that was set up by the late Avi Tilak to respond to emergency needs. About half of the donations were distributed immediately in southern New Jersey, the most hard-hit portion of our state. The balance of approximately \$24,000 has helped to provide grants to the Denville Fire Department, Family Promise of Morris County, the Madison YMCA, the Visitation Relief Center in Brick, N.J., and the Skylands Outreach Depot, an affiliate of Mission Central HUB.

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Attendance Report

	Member Count	YTD Gain/Loss	February Attendance.
Denville Sunrise	11	-2	100.00%
Morris Plains	59	1	98.80%
Denville	49	2	97.00%
Pequannock Valley	51	1	96.00%
Jefferson Township	10	-1	94.00%
Belvidere	9	0	91.00%
Blairstown	24	1	90.00%
Lake Hopatcong	23	0	90.00%
Whippany	25	1	87.00%
West Orange	41	0	86.00%
Branchville	31	2	85.71%
Caldwells	32	2	85.00%
Maplewood	21	-1	85.00%
Randolph	28	-1	84.00%
Rockaway	22	1	83.30%
Newark	25	-6	79.07%
Wharton/Mine Hill	11	2	79.00%
Livingston	14	-1	76.20%
Glen Ridge	22	0	75.76%
Butler/Triboro	14	2	75.00%
Chester-Long Valley	8	0	75.00%
Ironbound (Newark)	7	0	74.00%
Netcong-Stanhope	14	-1	74.00%
Wallkill Valley	4	-19	72.00%
Madison Rotary	82	2	71.60%
Florham Park	11	-1	70.00%
Hackettstown	26	1	70.00%
South Orange	10	1	63.33%
Montclair	24	1	62.50%
Morristown	60	4	61.90%
Phillipsburg	26	-1	61.00%
Mendham Rotary	20	-1	60.00%
Livingston Sunrise	24	0	58.33%
Newton	100	1	54.70%
Bernardsville	31	-3	52.69%
Nutley	26	1	52.00%
Par-Troy Rotary	23	1	48.39%
Boonton	13	2	41.00%
Irvington	14	-1	7.00%
Belleville - NR	7	0	0.00%
Bloomfield - NR	11	0	0.00%
Cedar Grove - NR	18	0	0.00%
Chatham Millburn - NR	9	2	0.00%
Dover - NR	16	0	0.00%
East Orange - NR	6	0	0.00%
Fairfield NJ - NR	0	0	0.00%
Hampton Township - NR	19	0	0.00%
Montville Township - NR	0	0	0.00%
Mount Olive Township - NR	0	0	0.00%
Roxbury - NR	22	0	0.00%
Vernon Township - NR	0	0	0.00%
Washington - NR	16	0	0.00%
Total	1169	-10	53.10%

Promote your Club Events

Does your Club have an upcoming event or fundraiser that you would like to communicate to all Clubs in the District?

Send a flyer to
Barry Kroll - HYPERLINK "mailto:barrykroll@aol.com" barrykroll@aol.com
and it will be posted on the District Website



Mary Ann's Marquee

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ALERT – A few clubs have changed meeting places and meeting times. So, if you decide to visit another club, you better check on their whereabouts.

“Rotarians! Are we busy, of what? Our District Leadership has been so busy planning events – PETS – GOL – LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE – CONFERENCE – RYLA – and the list goes on. And what about our clubs? We’ve been holding dinners, fund raisers, projects, and lest we forget – attending club meetings. And, speaking of club meetings, let’s see what you have for the Marquee this month.”

Bernardsville – With all the professions PDG Brad had, how did he choose a classification for Rotary in his talk? It must be just ‘Rotary’.

Boonton – Our condolences on the death of your past president and long-standing member Gerald DeVera.

Branchville – I see PDG and AG Maders are still keeping tabs on you. Was that all of you warbling ‘Sweet Caroline’ at the Chili Open Golf event? Hope you didn’t scare away all the birds arriving from their winter sojourn.

Butler – You have decided to disband your club at the end of this Rotary year. Getting members has

been difficult for many clubs and your club has suffered the same fate. You have been so active in your community - you will be missed.

Caldwell – A \$2500 check to PDG Karien for Polio Plus? You sure put a smile on that PDG’s face. And you gave another check for \$2500 to the American Legion and Caldwell Fire Department for the victims displaced by a recent fire. Wow!

Denville – Have you reached your goal yet to make our beloved PDG Avi a major donor to the Rotary Foundation posthumously? Donations are being accepted by the Denville Rotary Foundation.

Glen Ridge – How many bicycles did you collect for the Pedals for Progress project? Soon you will have your annual High Honors Dinner.

Hackettstown - You’re having your 20th annual Motor Madness Car Show in May? Vroom, vroom! Get those engines humming.

Mendham – If you keep having your annual antique show, you’ll not only be one of the antiques – but the best treasure there.

Morris Plains – Did all the guests at your Valentine’s Dinner-Dance look as dashing as your Morristown Rotarian Guests? Tres chic! Wonder what fancy hat DGE Larry will wear to your ‘night at the races’ – bows. Lace, or topper?

Morristown – Did Old Man Winter throw a curve snowball at you and make you postpone your ‘Taste of Morristown’ event? I hope you didn’t have to refund any money and all your patrons salivated enough to attend the event on the new date.

Netcong-Stanhope – When Les Shauger steps down as secretary/treasurer this year, your new officer will have big shoes to fill. Les has been doing those jobs, and more, for years and years. Get well, Les.

Newton – Did you have enough syrup for your Pancake breakfast? You must have. You raised \$4000 on pancakes? That’s yummy.

Nutley – How was your Valentine’s Social? This has been some winter, hasn’t it? Snow, ice, events cancelled, etc. Hopefully you were able to help the scouts with their Scouting for Food fund raiser the end of March.

Parsippany – Trying something new? You will meet at a new location the first Wednesday of every month. Hopefully you’ll attract

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Mary Ann's Marquee

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new members. Good luck!

Pequannock Valley – I see you are still a happy bunch with all your happy \$. I'm sure your Valentine Party made everybody smile with happiness.

Rockaway – You braved the snowy weather on Saturday, February 15, 2014 to assist in feeding the homeless at Homeless Solutions in Morristown, NJ. Now you will serve dinner at the shelter one Saturday evening every other month throughout the year. But what we really, really want to know, did Peter Cottontail make it to your Easter Bunny Breakfast?

Wallkill Valley – Congratulations on two more new members. Hey Rockaway, thanks for Joe. I'll bet you miss him.

Whippany – That was a nice article in your bulletin about The RRSTYEP, otherwise known as the Ross Redmund Short Term Youth Exchange Program. You explained about this 3 week summer program to Shikoku, Japan. This will be the 35th year of this Rotary District 7470 program.

"Is the snow and ice really gone? I saw a daffodil peaking out – it must be spring. It has to be spring. We can't take any more winter. See you next month. Remember, if you have any Rotary club tidbits that you'd like to share, please send them –
HYPERLINK "mailto:seeko@embarqmail.com"
seeko@embarqmail.com. I love your stories."

Gift Of Life Celebrated Its 30th Gala Anniversary



On March 28th Brad Jenkins, Bernardsville Club, and original founder and Governor Barry, our MC helped welcome guests.

Presentations were made by Barbara Ciconte, President of Take Heart Association Project (THAP), Terry Carter, Executive Director of International Children's Heart Foundation (ICHF) and Executive Director of GOL International (GOLI), Robert Raylman to update our guests on the work being done around the world to save children with congenital heart disease.

Mr. Rene' Gabbai, Belleville Club, was honored as past Treasurer and most generous supporter of GOL for almost three decades. GOL's investment fund is now renamed to "The Rene' Gabbai Foundation Fund" in his honor.

Generous donations were presented by: Denville Sunrise, Maplewood, Morristown, Parsippany-Troy Hills, Pequannock Valley, Phillipsburg, Roxbury, West Orange and Whippany Clubs. Your GOL committee members thank all supporters for helping to save lives.....one little heart at a time!

Sign up now

**Member Orientation Program
New and experienced
Rotarians Welcome**

Webinar

**In the convenience of your
home or office
Thursday, April 10, 2014
7:00 to 8:00 pm**

**Register - District Website
www.rotarydistrict7470.org
complete details available on website**



Paul Harris Society



Rotary has been serving communities here at home, and around the world, for over 100 years. Your continued support of The Rotary Foundation brings lasting and positive change to communities in need, and inspires others to join our efforts to do good in the world.

At the Foundation Brunch in January, we named 18 Paul Harris Society members. Now we are looking for others who wish to join this elite group of Rotarians. We want to identify those who see our Foundation as the life blood of Rotary; those who are willing to give at the level of \$1,000 per year to help promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water, protect mothers and children, support education and grow local economies in our District and throughout the world.

The good news is you don't have to make your contribution all at once. By committing yourself to an \$85 a month tax exempt gift, you will become a member of the Society. So make that commitment now and your generosity will be recognized at the District Conference.

Named after Rotary's founder, the Paul Harris Society recognizes those who annually contribute \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, Polio Plus, or an approved Foundation Grant.

To join the Paul Harris Society:

1. Contact PDG Jim Allison, Paul Harris Society Chair at [HYPERLINK "mailto:jra188@aol.com"](mailto:jra188@aol.com) jra188@aol.com or 201-213-6382 and he will guide you through the easy process of becoming a Paul Harris Society member.

2. You can also contribute online at [HYPERLINK http://www.rotary.org/contribute](http://www.rotary.org/contribute) www.rotary.org/contribute or contact Jim who can help you set this up. Rotary Direct, Rotary's recurring giving program, is a great way to join the PHS in a safe, secure and easy way. This can be done monthly, quarterly or even annually. For less than \$85 per month you can become a member and it is tax deductible.

Paul Harris Society gifts advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by supporting Rotarian initiated activities both locally and internationally.

I sincerely hope you will consider joining this growing group of Rotary Foundation supporters.

PDG Jim Allison
Paul Harris Society Chariman

*Join the Paul Harris Society
Make a Difference*



MORRIS PLAINS NEW MEMBER

Frank Druetzler sponsored Bob Martin (former member) and Bob Galenkamp sponsored by Frank Capella.

World Polio Day Friday, 24 October 2014

JOIN IN. SPEAK OUT. DONATE. BE PART OF HISTORY

October 24th Rotarians around the world will observe "World Polio Day", a day dedicated to bringing fresh awareness to the efforts to rid the world of this dreadful crippling disease.

WHAT WILL YOU; YOU'RE CLUB AND YOUR DISTRICT DO TO END POLIO NOW?

Start your planning now, set your goal and work to achieve it by 24 October.

Invite your Interactors, Rotaractors, friends, neighbors, and colleagues to join with you in ensuring a polio free world.

"The Polio End Game Plan" is dedicated to eradicating polio completely by 2018. New partners are joining the fight, countries have made this their main health concern, the Red Cross has joined forces and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation have announced a new 3-to-1 matching program for every dollar donated; all to help finish this job forever. Polio cases have gone down more than 50% from this time last year showing that efforts are working.

District Conference Registration Deadline Extended

New Deadline to Register is April 16, 2014

Conference dates are April 25 & 26, 2014

Go to www.rotarydistrict7470.org to register

Remember this year's conference is local, inexpensive, has a great program, wonderful speakers and entertainment
Don't miss this event which will be the highlight of the Rotary year.

Save the Date

District Training Assembly Training for Club Leaders

**May 21st – 3:00 pm
\$45.00 per person includes
dinner**

**Hanover Manor
16 Eagle Rock Avenue
East Hanover**

RYLA - Multi District

Districts 7470 & 7510

**Rotary Youth Leadership Award
June 13, 14, 2014 – Drew University
Program and Registration Info now
available www.rotary.org**

Registration Deadline

May 15, 2014

\$250.00 per student



Engage Rotary Change Lives

by attending

District 7470 Conference

April 25 and 26, 2014

Hanover Marriott, Whippany, NJ



We have taken your advice!

This year's District Conference will be closer, shorter, less expensive, yet a most exciting celebration of our Rotary year. It will be held in the middle of our District and will begin Friday, 4/25, 1:30 pm and end on Saturday, 4/26 at 5:00 pm. The location will allow many to commute or we have made arrangements for reduced rate accommodations at the hotel. To join in the fun on April 25th and 26th, please fill out the attached District Conference Registration Form. **Deadline has been extended to April 16th**

Draft Conference Schedule:

Friday, April 25, 2014

- 1:30 pm - Registration and welcome refreshments
- 2:00 pm - Conference welcome and drawings
- 2:15 pm - First Plenary Session - Foundation
- 3:15 pm - Break - Foundation Room
- 4:00 pm - Group Study Exchange Program
- 4:30 pm - DG Barry - State of District
- 5:00 pm - Cocktail Reception
- 5:45 pm - Dinner
- 6:45 pm - PRIP Cliff Dochterman address
- 7:30 pm - Dance (Music by R&B from President's Ball)
- 10:30 pm - Governor's Hospitality Suite

Saturday, April 26, 2014

- 7:15 am - Registration
- 7:30 am - Memorial Service
- 8:00 am - Buffet Breakfast
- 9:00 am - Second Plenary Session - Cliff Dochterman
- 9:30 am - Club Awards - Youth Presentations
- 12:00 pm - Buffet Lunch
- 1:00 pm - Third Plenary Session - Membership
- 2:00 pm - District 50/50 drawing - Foundation Awards
- 3:00 pm - Cliff Dochterman closing
- 3:30 pm - 2015 District Conference
- 4:00 pm - Foundation Basket Drawings

Hotel Reservation Process:

- Reservations for hotel accommodations must be made directly with The Hanover Marriott, 1401 Route 10 East, Whippany, NJ. Call 973-538-8811 or toll free at 1-800-228-9290
- When making reservations, state you are part of the **Rotary District 7470** or give **RDGRDGA** code to take advantage of the Conference Rate.
- Specify type of accommodation desired King or two Queen beds
- Group Rate reservations not available after April 5, 2014.
- All reservations must include a first night room deposit or guarantee with a major credit card.
- Check in time is 4:00 pm or on a space available basis earlier.

<u>Accommodation</u>	<u>Rate Per Room Per Night</u>
King Bed	\$105.00 plus taxes
Two Queen Beds	\$105.00 plus taxes

For further information regarding the Conference, Call or E-Mail
Louise Forbes at 908-204-0948 - 908-209-6148 or m.l.forbes@att.net
Jim Allison at 201-213-6382 or jra188@aol.com



Registration Form

Rotary District 7470 Conference

April 25 - 26, 2014

Please complete a **separate** registration form for each person attending the conference:

Name: _____ Badge Name: _____

Check one: ☐ Rotarian ☐ Guest Rotary Club of _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Email Address: _____ Preferred Phone: _____

Please Check all that Apply

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|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Past District Governor | <input type="checkbox"/> Club President | <input type="checkbox"/> Paul Harris Society |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Governor | <input type="checkbox"/> Club President Elect | <input type="checkbox"/> Paul Harris Fellow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Committee Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Treasurer | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Donor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Committee Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Secretary | <input type="checkbox"/> First Conference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Past President | <input type="checkbox"/> District Conference Liaison | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Conference Cost and Options:

	<u>Per Person</u>	<u>Total</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference Registration Fee (Required fee for full or partial attendance)	30.00	30.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Conference, Fri. & Sat. April 25-26th Includes entire conference all day Friday and Saturday All sessions, events, meals, breaks, entertainment, etc.	165.00	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Partial - Friday Only, April 25th Includes conference sessions, cocktail hour dinner/dance	100.00	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Partial - Saturday Only, April 26th Includes conference sessions, breakfast, lunch, breaks	100.00	_____

TOTAL COST if paid by Deadline of April 16, 2014 \$ _____

☐ \$25.00 late fee for registrations after April 5, 2014 25.00

TOTAL COST with late Fee..... \$ _____

☐ **Optional Event - Saturday Night Theater (see separate flyer)**
Papermill Playhouse - South Pacific

Payment Procedure:

Send Registration form with a check payable to: Rotary District 7470

Send to: **Art Powell, 44 Garfield Ave., Madison NJ 07940 - Fax 973-966-5584**

OR if you wish to pay by credit card, complete the information below: ___ Visa ___ MC ___ Amex

Credit Card Number _____ Expire _____ Security Code _____

Name exactly as it appears on the card _____ Signature _____

Billing Address is different than above: _____